Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Pérez

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An act to amend Sections 44661 and 44662 of the Education Code, relating to school personnel.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 48, as introduced, John A. Pérez. School personnel: evaluation and assessment.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that school governing boards establish a uniform system of evaluation and assessment of the performance of all certificated personnel within each district. Existing law provides that in the development and adoption of guidelines and procedures for evaluation and assessment, that the governing board shall avail itself of the advice of the certificated instructional personnel in the district's organization of certificated personnel, as specified.

This bill would instead specify that the procedures to be used for evaluation of certificated employees shall be subject to specified provisions of law regarding the scope of representation by the exclusive representative of certificated employees and that the school governing board shall consult with the exclusive representative of certificated employees with respect to all other matters related to the evaluation of certificated employees.

Existing law requires the governing board of each school district to evaluate and assess certificated employee performance as it reasonably relates to several elements including the progress of pupils toward established standards and the state adopted academic content standards, as specified.

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This bill would also include the progress of pupils towards other specified academic content standards.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 44661 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:

44661. In the development and adoption of guidelines and procedures pursuant to this article, the governing board shall avail itself of the advice of the certificated instructional personnel in the district's organization of certificated personnel; provided, however, that the development and adoption of guidelines pursuant to this article shall also be subject to the provisions of Article 1 (commencing with Section 7100) of Chapter 2 of Part 5 of Division 1 of Title 1. The procedures to be used for the evaluation of certificated employees pursuant to this article shall be subject to subdivision (a) of Section 3543.2 of the Government Code. The governing board shall consult with the exclusive representative of certificated employees with respect to all other matters related to the evaluation of certificated employees pursuant to this article.

SEC. 2. Section 44662 of the Education Code is amended to read:

- 44662. (a) The governing board of each school district shall establish standards of expected pupil achievement at each grade level in each area of study.
- (b) The governing board of each school district shall evaluate and assess certificated employee performance as it reasonably relates to:
- (1) The progress of pupils toward the standards established pursuant to subdivision (a) and, if applicable, the state adopted academic content standards, including the academic content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605.8, as measured by state adopted criterion referenced assessments.
- 29 (2) The instructional techniques and strategies used by the 30 employee.
 - (3) The employee's adherence to curricular objectives.
 - (4) The establishment and maintenance of a suitable learning environment, within the scope of the employee's responsibilities.

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(c) The governing board of each school district shall establish and define job responsibilities for certificated noninstructional personnel, including, but not limited to, supervisory and administrative personnel, whose responsibilities cannot be evaluated appropriately under the provisions of subdivision (b) and shall evaluate and assess the performance of those noninstructional certificated employees as it reasonably relates to the fulfillment of those responsibilities.

- (d) Results of an employee's participation in the Peer Assistance and Review Program for Teachers established by Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 44500) shall be made available as part of the evaluation conducted pursuant to this section.
- (e) The evaluation and assessment of certificated employee performance pursuant to this section shall not include the use of publishers' norms established by standardized tests.
- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed as in any way limiting the authority of school district governing boards to develop and adopt additional evaluation and assessment guidelines or criteria.